THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Ministry of Law and Justice have advised that the earlier decision to increase the strength of the Teachers' Associations from 4 to 5 and reducing the strength of the Non-Teaching Staff Association from 2 to 1 in the Staff Council without the matter being discussed in the council was not consistent with clause 22 of the scheme. According to them any amendment in allocation of seats on the Council for various associations could be made after necessary discussion in the staff council, while calling the meeting of the Council for the purpose, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) may invite the representatives of the various associations as originally decided in the scheme and the matter about split in one of the Teachers' Associations may also be placed before the staff council as per clause 22 of the scheme.

Pending calling of the Council meeting an informal meeting of representatives of recognized service organisations was held by the Vice-Chairman Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan on 4.5.1990.

Duty Hours of Chowkidars in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

441. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1823 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether duty-hours of chowkidars of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan conform to the duration of duty-hours prescribed for the Central Government Group 'D' employees as also those of Public Sector Undertakings, and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, the reasons for not granting them overtime allowance for work hours done by the chowkidars of KVS

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The working hours of Chowkidars starts at the closing of Offices/Vidyalayas on the duty day and end at their opening, the subsequent day. These working hours have been fixed taking into account the nature of, and the time at which, duty is to be performed by the Chowkidars. If they have to continue on duty beyond the closing the duty time as mentioned above, they are either given compensatory leave or overtime at approved rates.

Recognition of factions of Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh

442. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1760 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th March, 1990 and state:

(a) what was the membership strength required for recognition of a teachers' Association on the date the two factions of Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh Organised their parallel conventions in Delhi and Kanpur in September, 1989;

(b) the reasons for which the Sangathan was allowed to use the same RKVAS:

(c) in what manner the two factions of RKVAS have been clubbed with recognised association in the reply, while it is held that no faction has been recognised by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(d) what is the mode and methology of ascertaining the veracity of membership strength to be submitted by the recognised association;

(e) whether it has been ascertained; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, when it is to be done?